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Title:	<b>Apparatus And Method For Reducing Subcutaneous Fat Deposits, Virtual Face-Lift, And Body Sculpturing By Electroporation</b>	)	<b>RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION MAILED DECEMBER 22, 2003</b>

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Dear Sir:

Applicants hereby submit the following Response to the Office Action mailed December 22, 2003 (the "Office Action"). Please enter the following Amendments and Remarks.

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**INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS**

**Status of the application and claims after the Office action**

Drawing figures 1, 2, 4a and 5 have been objected to because boxes 16 and 100 are unlabeled. Corrected drawings will be submitted with changes shown in the attached figures in red ink.

Claims 1-11 were originally filed in this case. Claims 1, 2, 7, and 10-11 were rejected in the Office action as anticipated by U.S. Patent No. 6,326,177 to Schoenbach, et al. Claims 3 and 4 were rejected as being obvious over Schoenbach et al. in view of U.S. Patent No. to Hofmann, et al. Claims 8-9 were rejected as being anticipated by U.S. Patent No. 5,778,894 to Dorogi, et al. Claim 9 was rejected pursuant to 35 U.S. §112 as being indefinite for failing to particularly point out and distinctly claim the subject matter which applicant regards as his invention on the grounds that there is no antecedent basis for "the curl." Claims 5-6 were noted to recite allowable subject matter but were objected to as depending from a rejected base claim.

**Amendment to the Patent Office Records**

Applicants respectfully request that the Office correct the official records on this application to indicate that Victor I. Chornenky is the first named inventor.

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**Summary of the Application in view of this Response**

By this Response, Applicants have amended claims 1, 8, 10 and 11, have canceled claims 5-6 and 8-11, and have added new claims 12-16. Claims 1-4 and 7, and 12-16 are pending in this case.